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AMENDMENT

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated May 6, 2005, reconsideration and allowance of the application are respectfully requested in view of the remarks below.

Amendments to the claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 13 of this paper.